GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3076
ANSWERED ON:12.03.2003
ONGOING PROJECTS
C. SREENIVAASAN

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of ongoing projects which are underway in the country and particularly in Tamil Nadu;

(b) the details of projects which have not been completed resulting in cost escalation, State-wise;

(c) the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps taken by the Union Government to speed up the projects to avoid cost escalation?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS [MAJOR GENERAL (RETD.) B.C. KHANDURI]

(a) Details are given at Annexure-I including that of Tamil Nadu.

(b) & (c) Details are given at Annexure-II.

(d) The following steps have been taken by the Union Government to speed up the execution of the projects:-

(i) The Ministry has introduced Direct Payment Procedure to expedite the payment system for timely completion of projects.

(ii) Ministry insists on Schedule of Rates being updated regularly.

(iii) The progress of projects is being closely monitored.

(iv) The works sanctioned by the Ministry are de-sanctioned if the work is not started within the stipulated time.

ANNEXURE I

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3076 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 12.3.2003 ASKED BY SHRI. C. SREENIVASAN REGARDING ONGOING PROJECTS

Sl.No.	Name of State	Number of ongoing projects	Sanctioned cost (Rs in Crores)
1	Andhra Pradesh	50	118.18
2	Arunachal Pradesh	3	7.5
3	Assam	50	165.41
4	Bihar	75	175.82
5	Chandigarh	2	5.40
6	Chhattisgarh	35	76.71
7	Delhi	4	16.52
8	Goa	9	38.26
9	Gujarat	23	113.50
10	Haryana	25	133.59
11	Himachal Pradesh	51	149.60
12	Jammu & Kashmir	7	7.06
13	Jharkhand	29	70.62
14	Karnataka	53	72.00
15	Kerala	57	99.65
16	Madhya Pradesh	54	125.80
17	Maharashtra	125	251.20
18	Manipur	28	60.99
19	Meghalaya	32	97.48
20	Mizoram	19	69.39
21	Nagaland	15	30.69

22 Orissa 63 140.65

23 Pondicherry 5 5.81

24 Punjab 29 73.37

25 Rajasthan 70 13.70

26 Tamil Nadu 4 123.05
27 Uttaranchal 11 36.00

28 Uttar Pradesh 69 342.15

29 West Bengal 41 329.03

30 National Highways
Authority of India 121 25,998.00

31 Border Road
Organisation 114 832.92

ANNEXURE-II

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (b) AND (c) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3076 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 12.3.2003 ASKED BY SHRI C. SREENIVASAN REGARDING ONGOING PROJECTS.

Sl.No.	Name of State	Name of work	Job No. and NH No.	dt.of sanction	Target date of completion	Present status	Reasons for non completion of work
1	Andhra Pradesh	NIL					
2	Arunachal Pr	NIL					
3	Assam	NIL					
4	Bihar	NIL					
5	Chandigarh	NIL					
6	Chhattisgarh	NIL					
7	Delhi	NIL					
8	Goa	1. Construction of Revised estimate with change in alignment and its approaches at km.85/350 of NH 17	17	017-GO- 99043 dt.4.8.99	Revised target date has been furnished in the last column.	Ministry sanctioned this work for Rs. 259.6 lakhs. The sanctioned scope of work was to construct 180 meter long vent with 52 number of 1200 MM dia. Hume Pipes with spacing of 3 m c/c including 1350 m approaches on either side. 85% works consisting of laying of 18 rows of Hume Pipes including approaches have been completed. The work however, could not be executed further as the local people apprehending flooding have demanded construction of bridge of 90m length instead of pipe culvert. The PWD had been directed earlier to complete the work as per sanction since the same is considered as appropriate. The State PWD however, has pleaded that local people are not permitting the execution of work and they have therefore requested for closing the work on as completed basis. The alternative proposals of work closing have been received with Regional Office's comments on 3.3.2003	
		2. Improvement of geometrics and widening between km.133/60 of NH-17	4A	04A-GO- 99046 dt.4.8.99	Revised target date has been fixed as June 2003 in view of the reason furnished in the last column	Land slide has taken place. Different alternatives have been received from the State PWD on 3.3.03 and are under scrutiny.	The improvement of geometric in a length of 3.4 km has been sanctioned by the Ministry. The work except in a length of 700m is complete. In a length of 700m during digging the earth for regrading the alignment a buried water main was located and to give clearance of 5.5m as is prescribed, the existing ground had to be dug deeper. This lead to a land slide which has delayed the progress of work. Improvement works now require land acquisition, filling of trench, slope treatment etc. The Ministry has suggested various alternatives The revised proposals have been received on 3.3.03.

9 Gujarat NIL

10 Haryana NIL

11 Himachal Pr. Raising Anchor Ropes 20 020-HP-950224AA 7/2002 Physical Progress 95%
Due to delay in forest clearance.
of suspension bridge dt.8-3-95
of Mandi town & other
allied works on NH-20

12 Jammu & Kashmir NIL

13 Jharkhand NIL

14 Karnataka NIL

15 Kerala 1. Construction of 47 047 KL 960533 June, 99 Construction work resumed on
During construction of foundation of Rail Over

combined bypass for dt.29.03.96 January 2003. Physical progress Bridge, poor soil strata was encountered which
Trivandrum Neyyatt- is 80%. Likely to be completed required soil stabilization by way of removing
inkara (Phase I constr- by Sept.2003 top 1.5 meter unstable soil and also required
uction) and Chakkai ROB provisions of vertical sand drains and stage
construction of embankment. Design of Rail Over
Bridge had to be modified due to poor soil condition.

2.Strengthening in 47 047 KL 97539 April, 2000 Strengthening completed. Work of
Due to site problem, sanction of revised estimate
km.482-489 dt.21.03.97 paved shoulder is yet to be done. is required. Revised estimate has not been
Revised Estimate is to be submitted received from the State PWD.
by State PWD.

3.Strengthening in 47 047 KL 97540 June 99 Strengthening completed. Work of
Due to slow progress by the contractor
km.387/300-390/570 dt.27.08.97 paved shoulder is yet to be done. 1st
contract terminated and 2nd agency fixed.

16 Madhya Pradesh NIL

17 Maharashtra NIL

18 Manipur NIL

19 Meghalaya Widening to two lane 51 051-MG-97096/19/3/98 21-10-01
Work in progress. Physical progress
Insurgency problems and delay in handing over land.
and strengthening from dt 30-3-98 49%
Km.64 to km.85 Excluding
Km.77-79 and Km.8-85

20 Mizoram NIL

21 Nagaland NIL

22 Orissa 1. Construction of 23 023-OR-98-157 26-10-01
Work in progress physical progress 90%
Due to delayed land acquisition, part of work
HL bridge on Neta dt. 29-12-98 was held up and there was cost escalation on
Nallah at Km.74+208 this account.
of NH 23

2. Construction of 6 006-OR-99-174 07-03-01 Work in progress physical progress 60%
The compensation for land acquired has been
Minor Bridge over dt 31-3-1999 given to the affected people as per the

	Bisoi nallah at Km.244/(3-6) of NH-6			awards passed by the Revenue Department. But the affected people are not satisfied, they are demanding higher compensation and are not allowing the work to progress. The District Collector and the S.P. have been apprised of the situation and both have agreed to give protection for resuming the work.
23	Pondicherry	NIL			
24	Punjab	1. Construction of Gurdaspur- Bypass on NH-15	015-PB-92-092	3/97	Physical Progress 98% Road work is complete except railway crossing dt.18.5.91 for which Railway has revised the claim from Rs.7 lakhs to Rs.107.96 lakhs. Matter being perused with Railways.
25	Rajasthan	NIL			
26	Tamil Nadu	NIL			
27	Uttaranchal	NIL			
28	Uttar Pradesh	1.Construction of high level bridge over river Ghaghra at Manjighat including approaches and guide bund	19 19-UP-1999-252 dt.18-05-99	06/2003	Work in progress physical progress 85% Law and order situation delayed the work
		2. Shifting of utility service i.e.electricity transmission lines/ electric poles & cutting of trees along with compensatory afforestation for widening of existing segment joining NH-24 & NH 28 (East-West Corridor) to four lanes of proposed Lucknow bypass	24 & 28 24 & 28-UP-2001-291 dt.19-6-01	03/2003	Work in progress physical progress 92% Due to delayed response of the Utility Departments and State Forest Department.
		3. Construction of Lalitpur Bypass from km.87.139-94.120	26 26-UP-90-175 dt.20-9-1990	05/2003	Work in progress physical progress 95% Work is likely to be completed by the revised target date of completion.
29	West Bengal	1. Construction of Bridge over River Torsa and its approaches	HL 31 031-WB-88-04 dt 10-11-88	Construction of Torsa bridge	Work in progress Physical progress 86% Ministry had written to State Govt of West Bengal in January, 2002 to complete the balance work at their own cost as the time and cost overruns necessitating revision of sanctioned cost had been caused due to ineffective administration of contract by State Govt. In response to this, the State Government had shown its inability to bear the cost of balance work. Subsequently, Ministry considered the option to get the work done by the present agency M/s. NPCC who wanted relaxations like deferring recovery of mobilization advance, granting secured advance on the materials, extension of time etc., which were not acceptable. As the work was originally sanctioned with the approval of Expenditure Finance Committee (EFC), the revision of sanctioned cost needs to be considered by EFC. The EFC note was requested from State PW(R)D which has not yet been received despite reminders including a D.O letter at Secretary level on 14-1-2003.
		2. Land Acquisition for Vivekananda Bridge and shifting	2 002-WB-98-130 dt 31-8-98	30-4-02	Work in progress Physical progress 70% Change in the type of land from Govt. land to Pvt. Land and increase in rates and areas for the structure acquisition have led to

	of utilities	cost overrun.
30	National Highways Authority of India	NIL
31	Border Road Organisation	NIL